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# REPORT

ON THE

# ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

IN THE

# North-West Frontier Province

## For the year

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**REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE IN THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE FOR THE YEAR, 1954.**

## 1. General Review of Offences.—

The total number of offences of all kinds reported during the year under review was 87,211 as against 77,529 in 1953, and 70,005 in 1952. There has been a gradual increase in the number of reported offences by 7,524 in 1953, over that of the offences of 1952, and of 9682 over that of 1953. This increase includes the offences under Local and Special Laws which numbered 75,150 in the year under report as against 64,654 in the preceding year. There was, however, a decrease of 653 and 161 in the number of offences under the Penal Code and Frontier Crimes Regulation, respectively, in the year under review as against the precediug year.

The following table shows the number of reported offences under the Penal Code as well as Local and Special Laws since 1951:—

| | Reported Offences | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 |
| Under Pakistan Penal Code .. | 11,274 | 11,946 | 12,165 | 11,512 |
| Under Local and Special Laws .. | 58.260 | 57.573 | 64,654 | 75,150 |
| Under Frontier Crimes Regulation.. | 491 | 486 | 710 | 549 |
| Total .. | 70,025 | 70,005 | 77,529 | 87,211 |

Peshawar, Mardan, Hazara, Kohat, and Bannu recorded an increase of 2,697, 2,487, 821, 2,319, 1,546, offences respectively, while there was a decrease of only 188 offences in D. I. Khan District.

## 2. Offences admitted to have occurred.—

Offences admitted to have occurred in each District during 1953 and 1954 are compared in the table below :—

| District | Offences reported | | Complaints dismissed in limine | | Cases struck off as false | | Offences admitted to have occurred | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1953 | 1954 | 1953 | 1954 | 1953 | 1954 | 1953 | 1954 |
| Peshawar .. | 23,594 | 26,291 | 317 | 370 | 30 | 40 | 23,247 | 25,881 |
| Mardan .. | 11,663 | 14,150 | 158 | 270 | 154 | 178 | 11,351 | 13,702 |
| Hazara .. | 15,013 | 15,834 | 1,054 | 600 | 127 | 71 | 13,832 | 15,163 |
| Kohat .. | 7,428 | 9,747 | 36 | 93 | 124 | 97 | 7,268 | 9,557 |
| Bannu .. | 15,200 | 16,746 | 50 | 77 | 24 | 62 | 15,126 | 16,607 |
| Dera Ismail Khan. | 4,631 | 4,443 | 257 | 54 | 24 | 22 | 4,350 | 4,367 |
| Total .. | 77,529 | 87,211 | 1,872 | 1,464 | 483 | 470 | 75,174 | 85,277 |

Out of the total of 87,211 offences reported during 1954, 85,277 or 97.78 per cent. were found to be true, 1464 or 1.67 per cent. were dismissed in limine and 470 or .54 per cent. struck off as false. The corresponding percentages, for the year 1953, were 96.58, 2.41 and .62 per cent. respectively.

Out of 1464 complaints which were dismissed in limine 1127 were referred to Police under section 202 of the Criminal Procedure Code as against 886 in 1953. Like the preceding year Hazara District was responsible for referring the highest number of such cases to Police as compared with the complaints referred by other Districts in the Province. D. I. Khan District referred only 25 complaints to Police which is the smallest number as compared with the other Districts in the Province. The attention of the District Magistrate, Hazara, was drawn in the report for 1953 to the remarks of the Provincial Government in their review on the Administration of Criminal Justice for the year 1936, on the desirability of reducing such references to the Police to the minimum.

Cases struck off as false decreased from 483 in 1953 to 470 in 1954, while the number of such cases had advanced from 479 in 1952 to 483 in 1953. As already noticed it is gratifying to note that the number of cases struck off as false had decreased though there was an increase in the number of offences reported in 1954, as compared with that in 1953, by 9,682.

## 3. Offences under the Penal Code.

Offences reported, admitted to have occurred, brought to trial and the cases ending in conviction during the year under review and the preceding year are set out in the table below :—

| District | Year | Offence reported | Offences admitted to have occurred | Offences brought to trial | Cases ending in conviction | Percentage of conviction to offences: Admitted to have occurred | Percentage of conviction to offences: Brought to trial |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Peshawar | 1953 | 3,001 | 2,654 | 2,516 | 1,024 | 36.26 | 40.69 |
| | 1954 | 3,183 | 2,773 | 2,667 | 1,470 | 53.01 | 55.11 |
| Mardan | 1953 | 1,969 | 1,708 | 1,710 | 451 | 26.40 | 26.31 |
| | 1954 | 2,118 | 1,817 | 1,817 | 745 | 41.00 | 41.00 |
| Hazara | 1953 | 3,643 | 2,502 | 2,642 | 535 | 21.30 | 20.24 |
| | 1954 | 3,385 | 2,714 | 2,647 | 910 | 33.52 | 34.38 |
| Kohat | 1953 | 801 | 662 | 728 | 268 | 40.40 | 36.81 |
| | 1954 | 828 | 649 | 709 | 337 | 51.92 | 47.53 |
| Bannu | 1953 | 1,449 | 1,368 | 913 | 370 | 27.03 | 40.52 |
| | 1954 | 981 | 859 | 926 | 549 | 63.91 | 59.28 |
| D. I. Khan | 1953 | 1,302 | 1,196 | 1,196 | 396 | 34.78 | 34.78 |
| | 1954 | 1,017 | 944 | 924 | 307 | 32.52 | 33.22 |
| Total | 1953 | 12,165 | 10,090 | 9,705 | 3,044 | 30.16 | 31.35 |
| | 1954 | 11,512 | 9,756 | 9,690 | 4,318 | 44.25 | 44.56 |

Offences under the Penal Code decreased from 12,165 in 1953 to 11,512 in 1954, while the number of such offences had advanced from 11,247 in 1951, to 11,946 in 1952, and 12,165 in 1953. Offences reported under this head represent 13.20 per cent. of the total number of reported offences as against 15.69 per cent. in 1953. The increase was shared by Peshawar (+182), Mardan (+149), and Kohat (+27), while there was a drop of 258 in Hazara, 468 in Bannu and 285 in D. I. Khan District.

There has been a decrease of 334 in the offences admitted to have occurred and of 15 in the offences brought to trial in the year under report as compared with the preceding year, while the number of cases in which convictions were recorded advanced from 3,044 in 1953 to 4,318 in 1954.

Of the total number of 11,512 reported offences under the Penal Code, 9,690 or 84.17 per cent. were brought to trial as against 9795 or 79.78 per cent. of the year 1953. 4,318 cases ended in conviction representing 44.25 per cent. of the cases admitted to have occurred and 44.56 per cent. of the cases brought to trial. The corresponding percentages for 1953 were 30.17 and 31.37 per cent. The percentage of conviction has been the highest in Bannu with 63.91 per cent. and lowest in Hazara with 33.52 per cent. The number of persons involved and brought to trial for offences under the Penal Code advanced from 21,720 in 1953 to 21,928 in 1954. Of these 13,854 persons or 63.18 per cent. were acquitted or discharged and 4318, or 19.69 per cent. convicted. The corresponding figures for 1953 were 13,620 or 62.71 per cent. and 4,285 or 19.73 per cent. respectively. 261 persons died, escaped, or otherwise transferred and 3,495 persons remained under trial at the close of the year. The corresponding figures for the previous year were 77 and 3,738 respectively.

### 4. Serious Offences under the Pakistan Penal Code—.

The statement showing the number of serious offences under the Penal Code admitted to have occurred in each District is attached as Provincial Appendix A. The total number of serious offences under the Penal Code advanced from 4,072 in 1953 to 4,264 in 1954. The decrease and increase in the serious offences was shared by each district in the Province as shown below :—

| | |
|---|---|
| Peshawar .. | —111 |
| Mardan .. | +707 |
| Hazara .. | —89 |
| Kohat .. | +32 |
| Bannu .. | +78 |
| D. I. Khan .. | —125 |

The important variations regarding serious offences are to be found chiefly in :—

| | |
|---|---|
| Rioting .. | —10 |
| Murder .. | —114 |
| Attempt at murder .. | +26 |
| Culpable homicide .. | +11 |
| Hurt with aggravation .. | +557 |
| Kidnapping .. | —32 |
| Un-natural offences .. | —10 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Theft .. | —34 |
| Robbery .. | +27 |
| Receiving stolen goods .. | —87 |
| Criminal trespass resulting death .. | —15 |
| Criminal trespass for other serious offences .. | —103 |

There has been a decrease in rioting, murder, kidnapping, unnatural offences, thefts, receiving stolen goods and criminal trespass.

It is satisfactory to note that the No. of murder offences admitted to have occurred dropped from 752 in 1952 to 751 in 1953 and 637 in 1954. There was a decrease of 81 such offences in Peshawar, 36 in Bannu and 24 in D. I. Khan in 1954, as compared with the year 1953.

Of the total number of 637 murders, 188 were committed in Peshawar, 238 in Mardan, 91 in Hazara, 69 in Kohat, 25 in Bannu and 26 in D. I. Khan. The corresponding figures for the year 1953 were 269, 209, 96, 66, 61 and 50.

**5. Crimes Committed by transborder Offenders :—**

The number of persons involved in the commission of the most serious form of offences was 4,194 during the year under review as against 3,226 in 1953. Of these 116 belonged to transborder areas and the remaining 3,078 to Pakistan. The largest transborder offenders came from the borders of the Peshawar district.

The number of absconders from justice was 1,221 of these 494 were from transborder areas, 189 were foreigners and the rest from Pakistan.

**6. Offences under the Local and Special Laws :—**

The total number of reported offences under the Local and Special Laws rose from 57,573 in 1952 to 64,654 in 1953 and 75,150 during the year under review. It will thus appear that there was an increase of 10,496 in the year under report as against the number of offences reported in 1953. The percentage of such offences to the total number of offences reported throughout the Province being 86·17 per cent. as against 80.08 per cent. of 1953. The number of persons involved was 1,10,506 as against 93,664 during the preceding year. Out of these 69,263 or 62.67 per cent. were convicted as against 61,225 or 65.37 per cent. of the previous year. 38,459 persons were acquitted or discharged, 15 persons died, escaped or otherwise transferred and 2,769 persons remained under trial at the close of the year under report. The corresponding figures for 1953 were 30,747, 21 and 1,671 respectively. The number of reported offences and of cases admitted as true in

each district of the Province is shown in the table given below :—

| District | Number of offences reported | | Increase (+) Decrease (—) | Number of cases returned as true | | Increase (+) Decrease (-) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1953 | 1954 | | 1953 | 1954 | |
| Peshawar .. | 20,132 | 22,857 | +2,725 | 20,132 | 22,857 | +2,725 |
| Mardan .. | 9,612 | 11,909 | +2,297 | 9,561 | 11,762 | +2,201 |
| Hazara .. | 11,345 | 12,413 | +1,068 | 11,305 | 12,413 | +1,108 |
| Kohat .. | 6,597 | 8,885 | +2,288 | 6,576 | 8,874 | +2,298 |
| Bannu .. | 13,665 | 15,705 | +2,040 | 13,672 | 15,688 | +2,016 |
| D. I. Khan .. | 3,303 | 3,381 | +78 | 3,128 | 3,378 | +250 |
| Total .. | 64,654 | 75,150 | +10,496 | 64,374 | 74,972 | +10,598 |

There was a total increase of 10,598 in all the districts of the Province, i. e., 2,725 in Peshawar, 2,201 in Mardan, 1,108 in Hazara, 2,298in Kohat, 2,016 in Bannu and 250 in D. I. Khan District.

Offences under the Frontier Crimes Regulation dropped from 710 in 1954 to 549 in the year under report. Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code advanced from 17,483 in 1953 to 21,192 in the year under report. The number of persons involved in these proceedings were 51,043 of whom 27,861 were acquitted or discharged and 21,324 convicted. 9 died, escaped or otherwise transferred and 1,849 remained under trial at the end of the year. The corresponding figures for 1953 were 42,028, 21,557, 19,704, 1 and 766, respectively.

Other impertaut variations were under the following Acts :—

| | |
|---|---|
| Arms Act ... | —70 |
| Punjab Minors Canal Acts. .. | +301 |
| Forest Act .. | +1,075 |
| Hackney and Stage Carriages Acts .. | +861 |
| Punjab Municipal Act ... | +1,114 |
| Prostitutes Act -- | +24 |
| Motor Vehicles Act -- | +1,963 |
| Cantonment Military Act .. | +479 |
| Pure Food Act ... | —750 |

The decrease in the number of offences under the Arms Act is mainly shared by Peshawar, Hazara, Kohat and Bannu. The increase in the Forest Act offences in mainly shared by Hazara District where there was an increase of 1,219 offences. The increase in the Hackney and Stage Carriages Acts is shared by Peshawar, Mardan and Kohat Districts, while the increase in the Municipal Act offences is shared by Peshawar and Mardan Districts, and the increase in the Motor Vehicles Act is shared by Hazara, Bannu and D. I. Khan Districts.

## 7. Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Code of Criminal Procedure.—

The total number of miscellaneous proceedings before the Courts under the Criminal Procedure Code wes 22,275 as against 18,169 in 1953. Out of 53,007 persons involved in these proceedings, 29,402 persons were discharged and 21,766 were convicted. The corresponding figures for the year 1953 were 43,764, 22,814 and 20,168 respectively.

Proceedings under the Security, Sections of the Code of Criminal Procedure for the years 1952-53 and 54 are compared in the following table :—

| | Year | Total number of Persons. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Peshawar | | Mardan | | Hazara | |
| | | Disposed of | Bound over | Disposed of | Bound Over | Disposed of | Bound over |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Breach of peace Chapter VIII of Cr. P. Code. | 1952 | 11,935 | 5,732 | 7,802 | 3,344 | 4,355 | 2,437 |
| | 1953 | 12,132 | 5,753 | 7,563 | 3,527 | 6,910 | 2,894 |
| | 1954 | 12,667 | 4,597 | 10,844 | 5,112 | 7,491 | 2,253 |
| Security for good behaviour Section 110 Cr. P. Code. | 1952 | 531 | 191 | 175 | 66 | 114 | 53 |
| | 1953 | 721 | 300 | 63 | 14 | 578 | 124 |
| | 1954 | 590 | 164 | 199 | 109 | 253 | 107 |

| | Year | Total Number of persons | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Kohat | | Bannu | | D. I. Khan | | Total | |
| | | Disposed of | Bound over | Di posed of | Bound over | Dispo-sed of | Bound over | Disposed of | Bound over |
| 1 | | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| Breach of peace Chapter VIII of Cr. P. Code. | 1952 | 4,355 | 2,437 | 7,178 | 4,996 | 1,392 | 594 | 37,017 | 19,540 |
| | 1953 | 4,677 | 2,228 | 6,158 | 3,973 | 1,786 | 608 | 39,226 | 18,983 |
| | 1954 | 6,420 | 3,529 | 7,053 | 4,039 | 3,037 | 1166 | 47,512 | 20,696 |
| Security for good behaviour Section 110 Cr. P. Code. | 1952 | 114 | 53 | 262 | 159 | 354 | 111 | 1,550 | 613 |
| | 1953 | 156 | 41 | 203 | 95 | 221 | 104 | 1,942 | 678. |
| | 1954 | 189 | 79 | 226 | 108 | 136 | 61 | 1,593 | 628 |

The total number of persons dealt with for threatened breach of peace was 47,512, of whom 20,696 were bound over. The corresponding figures for 1952 were 37,017 and 19,540 and for 1953 were 39,226 and 18,983 respectively.

There has been an increase in the number of persons dealt with in all the Districts of the Province. The percentage of persons bound over to the number of persons dealt with is 43.55 per cent. as compared with 52.78 in 1952 and 48.39 in 1953.

The number of persons dealt with for good behaviour fell from 1,942 in 1953 to 1,593 in 1954. Of these 628 persons or 39.42 per cent. were bound over as against 678 persons or 34.91 per cent. The number of persons bound over was the highest in Peshawar viz. 164 and the lowest in Dera Ismail Khan, viz. 61.

**8. General result of Criminal Trial.—**

The number of persons brought to trial before the Courts was 135,022 as against 118,074 of the previous year, an increase of 16,948 persons. 83,197 cases involving 1,28,727 persons were disposed of as against 73,074 cases involving 112,526 persons of the previous year leaving cases of 6,295 persons pending at the close of the year as against 5548 persons of the previous year. Out of 135,022 persons whose cases came up before the Courts for trial 73961 or 54.03 per cent. were convicted. 52107 or 38.59 per cent. were either acquitted or discharged and 6,295 persons remained under trial at the end of the year. The percentages for the previous year were 56.28, 37.89, respectively. It is satisfactory to note that the average duration dropped from 18 days in 1952 to 15 days in 1953 and 11 days in 1954.

**9. Trial and proceedings under the Frontier Crimes Regulations.—**

Reported offences under the F. C. R. decreased from 710 in 1953 to 549 in 1954. Out of these 145 were under Section 36 of the Regulation as against 221 of the previous year. Peshawar like the previous year, being responsible for the highest number, 95 as against 182 of the previous year.

The total number of persons involved has like-wise decreased from 1,556 in 1953 to 1,352 in the year under review. Out of these 673 persons were convicted, 516 acquitted or discharged and 163 remained under trial at the end of the year. The corresponding figures for 1953 were 832,550 and 173, respectively.

The total number of persons involved and bound over under the security sections of the F. C. R. for the year under review and the

previous years are district-wise compared in the table below :—

| District | Year | Section 40 F. C. R. | | Section 41 F. C. R. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Persons involved | Persons bound over | Persons involved | Persons bound over |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Peshawar | 1953 | 89 | 36 | 159 | 32 |
| | 1954 | 23 | 14 | 85 | 63 |
| Mardan | 1953 | 4 | 2 | 31 | 5 |
| | 1954 | 41 | 17 | 39 | 32 |
| Hazara | 1953 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| | 1954 | 42 | 39 | 29 | 1 |
| Kohat | 1953 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| | 1954 | 4 | 3 | .. | .. |
| Bannu | 1953 | 2 | 1 | .. | .. |
| | 1954 | 3 | 1 | .. | .. |
| Dera Ismail Khan | 1953 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| | 1954 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. | 1953 | 96 | 40 | 192 | 39 |
| | 1954 | 113 | 74 | 153 | 96 |

The number of cases disposed of district-wise under the F. C. R. during 1953 and 1954 are shown in the table below :—

| District | Year | Total number of cases disposed of under F. C. R. |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Peshawar | 1953 | 432 |
| | 1954 | 225 |
| Mardan | 1953 | 82 |
| | 1954 | 122 |
| Hazara | 1953 | 25 |
| | 1954 | 116 |
| Kohat | 1953 | 32 |
| | 1954 | 37 |
| Bannu | 1953 | 79 |
| | 1954 | 48 |
| Dera Ismail Khan | 1953 | 17 |
| | 1954 | 32 |
| Total | 1953 | 667 |
| | 1954 | 580 |

**10. Witnesses —**

The total number of witnesses who attended Courts including Sessions Courts was 105,852 as compared with 76,064 in 1953, an increase of 29,788. Of these 90,573 were examined by Magistrates and Courts of Sessions as compared with 70476 of the previous year. Total amount of road and diet money paid to witnesses during the year under report amounted Rs. 80,274/4/6 as against 86,146 in the preceding year.

**11 Method of disposal.—**

The number of cases disposed of by the District Magistrates, Special Magistrates and other Magistrates was 82,804 during the year under report as against 72,618 in 1953, i. e., an increase of 10,186, as is apparent from the following table :—

| | 1953 | | 1954 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number of cases | Average duration | Number of cases | Average duration |
| District Magistrates. | 427 | 41 days | 496 | 50 days |
| Special Magistrates. | 7,475 | 2 days | 14,061 | 3 days |
| Others .. | 64,716 | 17 days | 68,247 | 12 days |
| Total .. | 78,618 | 17 days | 82,804 | 11 days |

The following table shows the number of cases tried regularly under the provisions of Frontier Crimes Regulation and under ordinary powers by the District Magistrates in 1953 and 1954 and no case was tried summarily.

| District | Year | Tried under F. C. R. | | Tried under ordinary powers | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Regularly | Summarily | Regularly | Summarily | Regularly | Summarily |
| Peshawar | 1953 | 236 | .. | .. | .. | 236 | .. |
| | 1954 | 109 | .. | .. | .. | 109 | .. |
| Mardan | 1933 | 59 | .. | .. | .. | 59 | .. |
| | 1954 | 122 | .. | .. | .. | 122 | .. |
| Hazara | 1953 | 17 | .. | 1 | .. | 18 | .. |
| | 1954 | 12 | .. | 168 | .. | 180 | .. |
| Kohat | 1953 | 31 | .. | .. | .. | 31 | .. |
| | 1954 | 32 | .. | .. | .. | 32 | .. |
| Bannu | 1953 | 67 | .. | .. | .. | 67 | .. |
| | 1954 | 30 | .. | | .. | 30 | .. |
| Dera Ismail Khan | 1953 | 16 | .. | .. | .. | 16 | .. |
| | 1954 | 32 | .. | .. | .. | 32 | .. |

| District | | | | Grand Total 1953 | Grand Total 1954 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Peshawar | .. | .. | .. | 236 | 109 |
| Mardan | .. | .. | .. | 69 | 122 |
| Hazara | .. | .. | .. | 18 | 180 |
| Kohat | .. | .. | .. | 31 | 32 |
| Bannu | .. | .. | .. | 67 | 30 |
| Dera Ismail Khan | .. | .. | .. | 16 | 32 |
| | Total | .. | .. | 427 | 505 |

## 12. Punishment :—

The following table shows the Punishment inflicted in 1953 and 1954 :—

| Year | | Number of persons sentenced to | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Death | Transportation for life | Imprisonment | Fines and Forfeitures | Whipping |
| 1953 | .. | 21 | 126 | 3,150 | 43,205 | 26 |
| 1954 | .. | 20 | 125 | 2,616 | 9,07,913 | 8 |

The Judicial Commissioner's Court confirmed the sentences of death of 20 persons and commuted the sentences of 3 persons to transportation for life and of one to 10 years' imprisonment. The corresponding figures for the previous years were 21 and 13, respectively. 122 persons were sentenced to transportation for life by the Sessions Judges as against 113 of the previous year.

The total amount of fine imposed during the year under review was Rs. 9,07,913 as against Rs. 9,83,021 of the previous year. Out of the fine imposed during the year Rs. 4,34,753 or 52·11 per cent. were realized as against Rs. 6,20,140 or 69,38 per cent. in the previous year. Out of the fine imposed Rs. 5,957 were paid by way of compensation as against Rs. 4,075 in the previous year.

## 13. Appeals.

The number of persons whose appeals came up before the Court including that of Judicial Commissioner was 3,632 in the year under report as against 3,563 in 1953. Appeals of 3,099 or 85.32

per cent. of the total number of persons whose appeals came up for hearing were disposed of and those of 533 persons remained pending at the close of the year. The corresponding figures for the year 1953 were 3071 or 86.19 per cent. and 492 respectively.

The following table shows the result of disposal :—

| | No. of persons | per cent. |
|---|---|---|
| Dismissed in limine .. .. .. | 228 | 7.35 |
| Sentences confirmed .. .. .. | 1099 | 35.46 |
| Sentences reduced or otherwise altered .. .. | 687 | 22.17 |
| Sentenced reversed .. .. .. | 881 | 28.43 |
| Otherwise disposed of .. .. .. | 199 | 6.45 |

## 14. Sessions Courts.--

The sanctioned strength of the Sessions Judges and the Additional Sessions Judges is 5. The disposal of business in the Sessions Courts for the 3 preceding years is illustrated below :—

| Year | Sessions cases | | | | Criminal Appeals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Peshawar | Hazara | Dera Ismail Khan | Total | Peshawar |
| 1952 .. | 319 | 58 | 67 | 444 | 943 |
| 1953 .. | 238 | 63 | 66 | 367 | 718 |
| 1954 .. | 244 | 55 | 68 | 367 | 844 |

| Year | Criminal Appeals—concld | | | Criminal Revisions | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Hazara | D. I. Knan | Total | Peshawar | Hazara | D. I. Khan | Total |
| 1952 .. | 346 | 246 | 1,535 | 163 | 134 | 19 | 316 |
| 1953 .. | 248 | 336 | 1,302 | 184 | 66 | 35 | 285 |
| 1954 .. | 252 | 361 | 1,457 | 119 | 81 | 52 | 252 |

The average duration of Sessions cases in Peshawar and Derajat Divisions dropped from 61 and 39 days in 1953 to 42 and 35 days in the year under report respectively, while it rose from 28 in 1953 to 34 days in 1954 in the Hazara Divisiou

## 15. Judicial Commissioner's Court—.

Business disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner on the criminal side during the last three years is shown in the tabel below :—

| Year | Murder References | | Criminal Appeals | | Crimiual Revisions | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cases | Persons | Cases | Persons | Cases | Persons |
| 1952 .. | 55 | 60 | 294 | 423 | 195 | 284 |
| 1953 .. | 40 | 44 | 282 | 406 | 244 | 417 |
| 1954 .. | 26 | 29 | 194 | 268 | 237 | 329 |

It is gratifying to note that murder references were disposed of at an average duration of 20 days in 1954, as against 26 days in 1953.

45 appeals involving 59 persons were wholly successful as also 3 appeals involving 3 persons filed by Government under Section 417 Cr. P. C. 120 appeals were disposed of by the Hon'ble Judges of the Judicial Commissioner's Court sitting in Benches and the remaining 74 sitting alone. The corresponding figures for 1953 were 194 and 88, respectively. The average duration in Criminal Appeals rose from 90 days in 1953 to 95 days in 1954.

15 Criminal Revisions were disposed of by the Hon'ble Judges sitting in Benches and 222 sitting in Chambers in 1954. The corresponding figures for the year 1953 were 31 and 213.

One application under section 491 Cr. P. C. was outstanding from 1953, and 114 were instituted in the year under report, making a total of 115 of which 37 were disposed of in 1954, leaving 78.

20 Criminal Courts were inspected by the Hon'ble Judges of the Judicial Commissioner's Court and 26 by the Sessions Judges during the year under report. The corresponding figures 1953 were 13 and 26, respectively.

The Court of the Judicial Commisssoner, N. W. F. P., was presided over by a Judge of profound learning, undoubted integrity and forceful personality Hon'ble Muhammed Ibrahim Khan, as Judicial Commissioner throughout the year. He was assisted by me as Judge, Judicial Commissioner's Court, N.-W. F. Province.

S. M. SHAFI,
Judicial Commissioner,
N.-W. F. Province.

29th June, 1955.

## PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. I—(CRIMINAL).

Statetment showing the number of Judicial Divisions and number of officers exercising appellate and original jurisdiction in the North-West Frontier Province on the 31st December 1954.

| Province | Criminal | | | | | | Other Magistrates | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Judges of Chief Court of Province | Number of Sessions Divisions | Number of districts | Sessions Judges | Other judges (exercising Section 30 powers) | District Magistrates | Stipendiary | Honorary | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| North-West Frontier Province. | 2 | 3 | 6 | 5 (a) | 37 | 6 | *165 | .. | (a) Do both Civil and Criminal work. |

*Includes Section 30 Power Magistrates.

## PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. II—(CRIMINAL).

Statetment showing the number of criminal cases decided in the Courts in the North-West Frontier Province, for the year 1954.

| Province | Total number of cases decided | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Original | | Appeals | | |
| | Regular | Miscellaneous | Regular | Miscellaneous | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| North-West Frontier Province .. | 83,197 | 1,043 | 2,132 | 380 | .. |

# Statement III

**(Imperial)** PROVINCIAL STATEMENT

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, covvicted
Province

| Description of offence | Number of offences reported | Number of cases returned as true | Number of cases brought to trial during the year |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Offences against the State. Chapter VI of the Pakistan Penal Code. | .. | .. | .. |
| Do. relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Do. against the Public tranquillity, Chapter VIII. | 310 | 306 | 308 |
| Do. by or relating to public servants Chapter IX. | 164 | 164 | 164 |
| Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X. | 627 | 606 | 606 |
| False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI. | 157 | 152 | 154 |
| Offences relating to coin and Government stamps, Chapter XII. | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Do. relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII. | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| Do. affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV. | 212 | 200 | 202 |
| Do. relating to religion, Chapter XV .. | 18 | 15 | 15 |
| Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI. | | | |
| Offences affecting life .. | 1,593 | 1,478 | 1,383 |
| Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants, and the concealment of births. | 58 | 40 | 46 |
| Hurt .. | 2,232 | 1,952 | 2,030 |
| Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement | 104 | 79 | 78 |
| Criminal force and assault .. | 250 | 224 | 221 |
| Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour. | 199 | 158 | 168 |
| Rape .. | 48 | 50 | 40 |
| Unnatural offence .. | 64 | 58 | 61 |

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and acquitted of each class of offence in the North-West Frontier in the year 1954.

| Number of persons | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Under trial during the year including pending from previous year | Acquitted or discharged | Convicted | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province | Remaining under trial | Remarks |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 930 | 333 | 578 | .. | 19 | |
| 234 | 148 | 72 | .. | 14 | |
| 836 | 346 | 360 | .. | 130 | |
| 202 | 75 | 98 | .. | 29 | |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | .. | 1 | |
| 40 | .. | 39 | .. | 1 | |
| 266 | 96 | 125 | 23 | 22 | |
| 29 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 1 | |
| 3,413 | 1,431 | 869 | 211 | 902 | |
| 77 | 49 | 19 | .. | 9 | |
| 4,470 | 3,470 | 581 | .. | 410 | |
| 257 | 212 | 10 | .. | 35 | |
| 600 | 477 | 55 | .. | 60 | |
| 577 | 315 | 84 | 2 | 176 | |
| 101 | 60 | 16 | .. | 25 | |
| 88 | 29 | 39 | 1 | 19 | |

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Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted
Province

| | Description of offence | | Number of offences reported | Number of cases returne as true | Number of cases brought to trial during the year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 | | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Offences against Property, Chapter XVII. | Theft | .. | 975 | 784 | 747 |
| | Extortion | .. | 21 | 16 | 16 |
| | Robbery and dacoity | .. | 119 | 81 | 81 |
| | Criminal misappropriation of Property | .. | 174 | 132 | 136 |
| | Criminal breach of trust | .. | 511 | 377 | 397 |
| | Receiving of stolen Property | | 235 | 235 | 240 |
| | Cheating | .. | 285 | 167 | 178 |
| | Fraudulent deeds and disposition of Property | | 242 | 220 | 213 |
| | Mischief | .. | 525 | 446 | 438 |
| | Criminal trespass | .. | 1,719 | 1,305 | 1,254 |
| Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII. | | | 31 | 30 | 3 |
| Criminal breach of contracts of Service XIX | | .. | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Offences relating to marriage XX | | .. | 331 | 221 | 22 |
| Defamation XXI | | .. | 34 | 26 | 2 |
| Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance XXII | | | 224 | 184 | 18 |
| Offences under Special and Local Laws | | .. | 75,150 | 74,972 | 75,02 |
| Frontier Crimes Regulation | | .. | 549 | 549 | 55 |
| Grand Total | | .. | 87,211 | 85,277 | 85,27 |
| Total P. P. Code | | .. | 11,512 | 9,756 | 9,6 |

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and acquitted of each class of offences in the North-West Frontier in the year 1954.

| Number of persons | | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Under trial during the year including pending from previous year | Acquitted or discharged | Convicted | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province | Remaining under trial | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1,408 | 701 | 441 | 6 | 260 | |
| 33 | 26 | 2 | .. | 5 | |
| 224 | 154 | 36 | 1 | 33 | |
| 205 | 161 | 18 | .. | 26 | |
| 504 | 310 | 74 | 4 | 116 | |
| 428 | 136 | 225 | .. | 67 | |
| 316 | 210 | 34 | 2 | 70 | |
| 561 | 450 | 13 | .. | 98 | |
| 1,147 | 951 | 49 | .. | 147 | |
| 3,727 | 2,747 | 353 | 5 | 622 | |
| 55 | 33 | 14 | .. | 8 | |
| 19 | 19 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 671 | 476 | 87 | 2 | 106 | |
| 53 | 38 | 2 | 1 | 12 | |
| 452 | 389 | 8 | .. | 55 | |
| 1,10,506 | 38,459 | 69,263 | 15 | 2,769 | |
| 1,352 | 516 | 673 | .. | 163 | |
| 1,33,786 | 52,829 | 74,254 | 276 | 6,427 | |
| 21,928 | 13,854 | 4,318 | 261 | 3,495 | |

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Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted
Frontier Province, in the

| Description of offence | Number of offences reported | Number of cases returned as true | Number of cases brought to trial during the year |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 |
| LOCAL AND SPECIAL LAWS. | | | |
| Proceedings under Code of Criminal Procedure Breach of Laws relating to. | 21,192 | 21,039 | 21,042 |
| Arms Act (XI of 1878) .. | 1,170 | 1,163 | 1,208 |
| The Punjab Minor Canals Act (III of 1905) .. | 1,834 | 1,822 | 1,823 |
| Cantonments Act (II of 1924) .. | 2,041 | 2,041 | 2,041 |
| Cattle Trespass Act (1 of 1871) .. | 242 | 242 | 235 |
| City Chaukidars Act (XX of 1856) .. | 423 | 423 | 423 |
| Punjab Excise Act (1 of 1914) .. | 99 | 97 | 111 |
| Ferries Act (XVII of 1878) .. | 21 | 16 | 16 |
| Foreigners Acts (III of 1864 and II of 1940) .. | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Forest Act (XVI of 1927 and North-West Frontier Province Hazara Forest Regulation VI of 1937). | 3,410 | 3,410 | 3,410 |
| Gambling Act (III of 1867) .. | 286 | 279 | 280 |
| Hackney and Stage Carriage Acts (XVI of 1861 and XIV of 1879). | 18,580 | 18,580 | 18,580 |
| Municipalities Punjab (Act III of 1911) .. | 3,518 | 3,518 | 3,518 |
| Opium (Act IX of 1886) .. | 174 | 174 | 173 |
| Police (Act V of 1861) .. | 5,675 | 5,675 | 5,675 |
| Prisons Acts (IX of 1894) .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Prostitutes (Act III of 1880) .. | 81 | 81 | 82 |
| Punjab Laws Act (IV of 1872) .. | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Railways Acts (IV of 1879 and IX of 1890) .. | 586 | 585 | 585 |
| Registration Act (XVI of 1908) .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Salt and Saltpetre Act (XII of 1882) .. | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| Telegraph Act (XIII of 1885) .. | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Passports Act (XXXIV of 1920) .. | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Motor Vehicles Act (IV of 1939) .. | 12,155 | 12,155 | 12,155 |
| The Restriction of Habitual offenders (Punjab) Act V of 1918). | 109 | 109 | 109 |
| Pure Food Act (Punjab) XIII of 1929 .. | 400 | 400 | 400 |
| Prohibition Act (XI of 1939) .. | 327 | 327 | 327 |
| Protection of Trees Act of 1949) .. | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Foodgrains Act of 1947 .. | 1,058 | 1,058 | 1,060 |
| Sugar Act of 1950 .. | 233 | 233 | 234 |
| Cinema Act of 1937 .. | 37 | 37 | 37 |
| Custom Act of 1918 .. | 146 | 146 | 146 |
| Radio and Wireless Act XVIII of 1953 .. | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| Act Law and Justice .. | 92 | 92 | 92 |
| Explosive Act IV of 1884 .. | 13 | 12 | 9 |
| Serai Act VIII of 1867 .. | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Carried over .. | 74,066 | 73,898 | 73,945 |

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and acquitted of each class of offence in the North-West year 1954—continued.

| Under trial during the year including pending from previous year | Acquitted or discharged | Convicted | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province | Remaining under trial | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number of persons | | | | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 51,043 | 27,861 | 21,324 | 9 | 1,849 | |
| 1,261 | 116 | 1,097 | 3 | 45 | |
| 4,396 | 2,983 | 999 | .. | 414 | |
| 2,042 | 394 | 1,648 | .. | .. | |
| 403 | 203 | 170 | .. | 30 | |
| 960 | 173 | 744 | .. | 43 | |
| 118 | 20 | 94 | .. | 4 | |
| 42 | 38 | 4 | .. | .. | |
| 12 | .. | 12 | .. | .. | |
| 3,648 | 247 | 3,399 | .. | 2 | |
| 1,248 | 505 | 518 | 1 | 224 | |
| 18,580 | 2,227 | 16,353 | .. | .. | |
| 3,543 | 575 | 2,950 | .. | 18 | |
| 225 | 33 | 175 | .. | 17 | |
| 5,675 | 581 | 5,094 | .. | .. | |
| 1 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | |
| 113 | 65 | 40 | .. | 8 | |
| 32 | 7 | 25 | .. | .. | |
| 619 | 34 | 580 | .. | 5 | |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | |
| 98 | 9 | 87 | .. | 2 | |
| 17 | 2 | 14 | .. | 1 | |
| 20 | 2 | 17 | .. | 1 | |
| 12,173 | 1,678 | 10,495 | .. | .. | |
| 109 | 24 | 73 | .. | 12 | |
| 416 | 32 | 384 | .. | .. | |
| 370 | 50 | 298 | 2 | 20 | |
| 24 | 5 | 19 | .. | .. | |
| 1,142 | 127 | 985 | .. | 30 | |
| 407 | 55 | 348 | .. | 4 | |
| 49 | 10 | 38 | .. | 1 | |
| 177 | 132 | 45 | .. | .. | |
| 40 | 2 | 38 | .. | .. | |
| 145 | 29 | 109 | .. | 7 | |
| 11 | 3 | 8 | .. | .. | |
| 5 | 1 | 4 | .. | .. | |
| 1,09,166 | 38,224 | 68,190 | 15 | 2,737 | |

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Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted ... Province, in the year

| Description of offence | Number of offences reported | Number of cases returned as true | Number of cases brought to trial during the year |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Brought forward .. | 74,066 | 73,898 | 73,945 |
| Pelrolium Act XXX of 1934 .. | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Temporary Employment Act of 1947 .. | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| District Boards Act of 1883 .. | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Vaccination Act XIII of 1880 .. | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Chemists and Druggists Act XXVII of 1947 .. | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Game Act of 1950 (Protection of Birds) .. | 29 | 29 | 29 |
| Essential Services Act 24 of 1946 .. | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Post Office Acts XIV of 1866 and VI of 1898 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Printing Presses Act XXI of 1867 .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| N.-W. F, P. Safety Act III of 1848) .. | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Ordinances .. | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Protection of Wild Animals Act .. | 56 | 56 | 56 |
| Slaughter House Act .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Statutery Rules .. | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Cotton Cloth Act .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Mazri Control N.-W. F. P., (Kohat) Act II of 1939 .. | 197 | 197 | 197 |
| Trade Employees' Act .. | 273 | 273 | 273 |
| Criminal Procedure Code .. | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| N.-W. F. P. Act VIII of 1915 .. | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| N.-W. F. P. Essential Articles Control Temporary Powers Act XV of 1947 | 407 | 407 | 497 |
| Total Local and Special Laws .. | 75,150 | 74,972 | 75,029 |

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and acquitted of each class of offence in the North-West Frontier year, 1954—contd.

| Number of persons | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year | Acquitted or discharged | Convicted | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province | Remaining under trial | Remarks |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1,09.166 | 38,224 | 68,190 | 15 | 2,737 | |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | .. | .. | |
| 42 | 8 | 30 | .. | 4 | |
| 7 | .. | 6 | .. | 1 | |
| 32 | 11 | 21 | .. | .. | |
| 7 | 3 | 2 | .. | 2 | |
| 35 | 14 | 19 | .. | 2 | |
| 13 | 7 | 5 | .. | 1 | |
| 2 | 2 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 2 | .. | 2 | .. | .. | |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | |
| 2 | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | |
| 67 | 28 | 39 | .. | .. | |
| 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 17 | 10 | 6 | .. | 1 | |
| 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | |
| 329 | 64 | 265 | .. | .. | |
| 276 | 28 | 245 | .. | 3 | |
| 16 | 4 | 2 | .. | 10 | |
| 6 | 2 | 4 | .. | .. | |
| 478 | 49 | 423 | .. | 6 | |
| 1,10,506 | 38,459 | 69,263 | 15 | 2,769 | |

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Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted
Province, in the

| Description of offence | Number of offences reported | Numbor of cases returned as true | Number of cases brought to trial during the year |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| *Frontier Regulations.* | | | |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 11 .. | 286 | 286 | 288 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 22 .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 29 .. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 30 .. | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 36 .. | 145 | 145 | 145 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 37 .. | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 40 .. | 49 | 49 | 49 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 41 .. | 37 | 37 | 37 |
| Regulation III of 1901, Section 43 .. | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total F. C. Regulation .. | 549 | 549 | 552 |
| Grand Total .. | 87,211 | 85,277 | 85,271 |

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and acquitted of each class of offence in the North-West Frontier year, 1954—concluded.

| Number of persons | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year | Acquitted or discharged | Convicted | Died, escaped or transferred to another Province | Remaining under trial | Remarks |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 879 | 394 | 357 | .. | 128 | |
| 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 3 | .. | 3 | .. | .. | |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | .. | .. | |
| 173 | 45 | 118 | .. | 10 | |
| 26 | 2 | 24 | .. | .. | |
| 113 | 38 | 74 | .. | 1 | |
| 153 | 33 | 96 | .. | 24 | |
| 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | |
| 1,352 | 516 | 673 | .. | 163 | |
| 1,33,786 | 52,829 | 74,254 | 276 | 6,427 | |

(Imperial) PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. IV—(CRIMINAL)

Statement of Miscellaneous proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the North-West Frontier Province, during the year, 1954.

| Nature of Proceedings | Total No. of cases before the courts during the year | Number of persons concerned | Number of persons discharged | Number of persons convicted | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VIC and Section 485. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace, and Sections 40, 41 and 46, Frontier Crimes Regulation. | 19,359 | 49,357 | 27,015 | 20,696 | 1,638 |
| 3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII, Security for good behaviour. | 1,683 | 1,686 | 965 | 628 | 93 |
| 4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X. | 99 | 190 | 158 | 20 | 12 |
| 5. Possession, Chapter XII .. | 390 | 929 | 752 | 132 | 45 |
| 6. Frivolous or vexatious accusations summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Section 250. | 11 | 20 | 14 | 6 | .. |
| 7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 332. | 2 | 2 | .. | 2 | .. |
| 8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI. | 322 | 322 | 227 | 66 | 29 |
| 9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII. | 313 | 402 | 245 | 150 | 7 |
| 10. Proceedings under Chapter XLVI. Section 563 against convicted offenders released under Section 562. | 76 | 99 | 26 | 66 | 7 |
| Total .. | 22,275 | 53,007 | 29,402 | 21,766 | 1,831 |

*(Imperial)* PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. V—(CRIMINAL)

Statement showing the general result of criminal trials in the tribunals of various classes in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954.

| Class of Courts | Total number of persons under trial | Persons whose cases were disposed of | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Died, escaped or transferred to another province | Discharged or acquitted | Convicted | | | |
| | | | | On regular trial | | | |
| | | | | Sentence passed | Released on probation, Section 562, Criminal Procedure Code | Youthful offenders dealt with under Sections 31, Act VIII of 1897 | |
| | | | | | | Discharged after admonition | Delivered to parent or guardian, et.c, |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Subordinate Magistrates — Special Magistrates under Section 14. | 16,292 | 190 | 3,344 | 596 | 3 | .. | .. |
| Subordinate Magistrates — Stipendiary Magistrates .. | 116,128 | 1,422 | 47,655 | 27,908 | 33 | 8 | .. |
| District and Divisional Magistrates— Cases referred under Section 347, 349, C. P. C. | | | | | | | |
| Chief Magistrates of Districts .. | 1,526 | 1 | 649 | 604 | .. | .. | .. |
| Courts of Sessions .. | 1,047 | 2 | 454 | 237 | .. | .. | .. |
| Superior Courts .. | 29 | .. | 5 | 24 | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. | 135,022 | 1,615 | 52,107 | 29,369 | 36 | 8 | .. |

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# PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. V—(CRIMINAL)

Statement showing the general result of criminal trials in the tribunals of various classes in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954—concluded.

| Class of Courts | | Persons whose cases were disposed of — Convicted — On summary trial — Sentence passed | Released on probation, Section 562, Criminal Procedure Code | Youthful offenders dealt with under Section 31, Act VIII of 1897 — Discharged after admonition | Youthful offenders dealt with under Section 31, Act VIII of 1897 — Delivered to parent or guardian, &c. | Committed or referred | Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year | Number of cases disposed of during the year | Average number of days during which each case lasted | Number of witnesses examined | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Subordinate Magistrate | Special Magistrates under Section 14. | 11,774 | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 383 | 14,061 | 3 | 1,684 | |
| | Stipendiary Magistrates. | 32,444 | 3 | 327 | .. | 819 | 5,509 | 68,247 | 12 | 99,484 | |
| District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Section 347, 349, C. P. C. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief Magistrates of Districts .. | | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 | 258 | 496 | 50 | 543 | |
| Courts of Sessions .. | | .. | .. | .. | .. | 209 | 145 | 367 | 41 | 3,490 | |
| Superior Courts .. | | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 26 | 20 | .. | |
| Total .. | | 44,218 | 3 | 327 | .. | 1,044 | 6,295 | 83,197 | 11 | 90,573 | |

## PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VI (CRIMINAL)

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various criminal tribunals in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954.

| Class of tribunals | | Persons sentenced to | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Death | Transportation | Penal Servitudes | Imprisonment | | Forfeiture of property | Fine | Whipping | Persons ordered to fine or give security or recognizance to keep the peace, or sureties for good behaviour | Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour |
| | | | | | Rigorous | Simple | | | | | |
| 1 | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Subordinate Magistrates | Special Magistrates under Section 14. | .. | .. | .. | 18 | .. | .. | 8,053 | .. | 174 | .. |
| | Stipendiary Magistrates | .. | .. | .. | 2,161 | 140 | .. | 40,754 | 8 | 23,584 | 9 |
| District and Divisional Magistrates cases referred under Section 347, 349 C. P. C. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief Magistrates of District | .. | .. | .. | .. | 334 | 2 | .. | 57 | .. | 214 | .. |
| Courts of Sessions. | .. | .. | 122 | .. | 102 | .. | .. | 14 | .. | .. | .. |
| Superior Courts | .. | 20 | 3 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total | .. | 20 | 125 | .. | 2,616 | 142 | .. | 48,878 | 8 | 23,972 | 9 |

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**(Imperial)** PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VI (CRIMINAL)—contd.

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various criminal tribunals in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954—contd.

| Class of tribunals | Details of punishments — Finh — Rs. 10 and under | Rs. 50 and under | Rs. 100 and under | Rs. 500 and under | Rs. 1,000 and under | Above Rs. 1,000 | Total amonnt of fines imposed during the year | Total amount of fines realized during the year | Amount paid by way of compensation |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Subordinate Magistrates — Special Magistrates under Section 14. | 6,862 | 1,058 | 122 | 10 | .. | .. | 57,234 | 55,994 | 115 |
| Subordinate Magistrates — Stipendiary Magistrates .. | 27,703 | 9,056 | 2,298 | 1,585 | 111 | 2 | 7,08,943 | 3,62,286 | 5,542 |
| District and Divisional Magistrates cases referred under Sections 347, 49 C. P. C. | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief Magistrates of District .. | 1 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 25 | 1,36,236 | 11,673 | .. |
| Courts of Sessions .. | .. | .. | 6 | 5 | .. | .. | 5,500 | 4,800 | 3,001 |
| Superior Courts .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total .. | 34,566 | 10,122 | 2,433 | 1,615 | 112 | 27 | 9,07,913 | 4,34,753 | 5,957 |

## PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VI (CRIMINAL)—contd

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various criminal tribunals in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954.—contd.

| Class of tribunals | | Details of punishments—concld. | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Imprisonment | | | | | Whipped | | | Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School |
| | | 15 days and under | 6 months and under | 2 years and under | 7 years and under | Above 7 years | 10 stripes and under | 20 stripes and under | 30 stripes and under | |
| 1 | | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Subordinate Magistrates | Special Magistrates under Section 14. | .. | 4 | .. | 14 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| | Stipendiary Magistrates | 266 | 890 | 744 | 415 | .. | 8 | .. | .. | .. |
| District and Divisional Magistrates cases referred under Sections 347, 49 C. P. C. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chief Magistrates of District | | 2 | 3 | 8 | 119 | 211 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Courts of Sessions | | .. | .. | 18 | 20 | 21 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Superior Courts | | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Total | | 268 | 897 | 770 | 568 | 232 | 8 | .. | .. | .. |

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# PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VII—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the results of appeals and revisions in Criminal cases in the North-West Frontier Province in the year 1954.

| Tribunals | Number of persons: Total number of appellants and applicants for revisions before the court | Died, escaped, transferred to another province | Appeals or applications rejected | Sentence or order confirmed | Sentences enhanced | Sentence reduced or otherwise altered | Sentence reversed | Proceeding quashed | New trial of further enquiry ordered | Referred for revision to the High Court | Pending trial | Average number of days during which each appeal lasted |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| APPEALS. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| To Chief Magistrates of districts .. | 993 | 1 | 144 | 283 | .. | 47 | 277 | 70 | 49 | .. | 122 | 32 |
| To Courts of Sessions .. | 2,265 | .. | 51 | 698 | .. | 593 | 542 | .. | 76 | .. | 305 | 34 |
| To superior courts — by persons convicted .. | 330 | .. | 33 | 86 | 4 | 45 | 59 | .. | 3 | .. | 100 | .. |
| To superior courts — by Government from judgments of acquittal .. | 44 | .. | .. | 32 | .. | 2 | 3 | .. | 1 | .. | 6 | .. |
| Total .. | 3,632 | 1 | 228 | 1,099 | 4 | 687 | 881 | 70 | 129 | .. | 533 | 38 |
| REVISIONS. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| By Chief Magistrate of districts .. | 290 | .. | 145 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 32 | 38 | 75 | .. |
| By Courts of Sessions .. | 410 | .. | 290 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 59 | 22 | 39 | .. |
| By superior courts .. | 377 | .. | 154 | 64 | 19 | 22 | 59 | .. | 11 | .. | 48 | .. |
| Total .. | 1,077 | .. | 589 | 64 | 19 | 22 | 59 | .. | 102 | 60 | 162 | .. |
| Grand total .. | 4,709 | 1 | 817 | 1,163 | 23 | 709 | 940 | 70 | 231 | 60 | 695 | .. |

# PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VIII—(CRIMINAL)

Statement showing the use of juries and assessors in the Criminal Courts in the North-West Frontier Province, in the year 1954.

| Class of Courts in which Jurors or Assessor are employed | Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications | Number or accused person in Jury Trials | | | | Number of accused persons in trial with assessors | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tried | As to whom the Judge | | | Tried | As to whom the Judge | | | |
| | | | Approved verdict | Did not approve of verdcit | Made reference under Section 307 Criminal Procedure Code | | Agreed with all the Assessors | Differed from one or more, but not from all the Assessors | Differed from all the Assessors | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, C. P. C. .. Jurors | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |
| Courts of Sessions — Jurors .. | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 802 | 575 | 127 | 100 | |
| Courts of Sessions — Assessors .. | .. | | | | | | | | | |
| High Court, Original (Criminai) Jurisdiction .. Jurors | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | |

# PROVINCIAL APPENDIX A.

Statement showing serious offences under the Pakistan Penal Code admitted to have occurred during the year 1954 in each district of the Province.

| Offences | Section of the Pakistan Penal Code | Offences admitted to have occurred | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Peshawar | Mardan | Hazara | Kohat | Bannu | Dera Ismail Khan | Total 1954 | Total 1953 | Total 1952 |
| Offences against the State. | 121 to 124-A. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 | .. |
| Rioting | 147, 148, 151, 156. | 2 | .. | 19 | .. | 2 | 6 | 29 | 39 | 1 |
| Murder .. | 302, 303 .. | 188 | 238 | 91 | 69 | 25 | 26 | 637 | 751 | 75 |
| Murder attempt .. | 307 .. | 290 | 256 | 48 | 61 | 63 | 50 | 768 | 742 | 74 |
| Culpable homicide.. | 304 .. | 32 | 24 | 22 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 89 | 78 | 7 |
| Hurt with aggravation. | 325 to 331, 333. | .. | 528 | 198 | 27 | 29 | 36 | 818 | 261 | 62 |
| Kidnapping .. | 363 to 369 | 14 | 24 | 20 | 26 | 14 | 22 | 120 | 152 | 14 |
| Rape .. | 376 .. | 11 | 6 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 39 | 40 | 3 |
| Unnatural offence.. | 377 .. | 25 | 14 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 57 | 67 | 49 |
| Theft .. | 379 to 383, 401. | 319 | 157 | 133 | 37 | 90 | 52 | 788 | 822 | 47 |
| Robbery .. | 392 to 394 | 21 | 22 | 9 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 74 | 47 | 5 |
| Dacoity with murder. | 396 .. | 1 | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 3 | 4 | .. |
| Dacoity, other cases | 395, 397, 400, 402. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 13 | 2 |
| Receiving stolen goods. | 411 to 414 | 50 | 39 | 86 | 15 | 14 | 45 | 249 | 336 | 19 |
| Mischief with aggravation. | 429 to 444 | 28 | 88 | 63 | 32 | 12 | 44 | 267 | 275 | 30 |
| Criminal trespass resulting deaths. | 459, 460 .. | 2 | .. | 4 | .. | 4 | .. | 10 | 25 | 10 |
| Criminal trespass for other serious offences. | 454, 458 .. | 104 | 108 | 25 | 6 | 38 | 33 | 314 | 417 | 15 |
| Total .. | 1954 .. | 1,088 | 1,505 | 736 | 286 | 314 | 335 | 4,264 | .. | .. |
| | 1953 .. | 1,199 | 798 | 825 | 254 | 236 | 460 | .. | 4,072 | .. |
| | 1952 .. | 1,358 | 1,013 | 687 | 307 | 390 | 426 | .. | .. | 4,18 |

# PROVINCIAL STATEMENT No. VI-A (CRIMINAL)
## PART III

Showing whippings inflicted under Section 5 Act IV of 1909 on juveniles in lieu of other punishments.

| Offences for which awarded | Number of persons awarded | | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 5 to 10 stripes | 11 to 20 stripes | 21 to 30 stripes | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Section 379 P. P. Code .. | 4 | .. | .. | 4 |
| Section 380 } 457 } P. P. Code .. | 2 | .. | .. | 2 |
| Section 411 P. P. Code .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Section 9 Opium Act .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 |
| Total .. | 8 | .. | .. | 8 |
| On first conviction .. | 3 | .. | .. | |
| On re-conviction .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |